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David Geraint Owen et al.) Group Art Unit: 1641
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Before examination, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claims 39-45 and amend claims 4-11, 13-15, 18-22, 26-29, 34 and 46 as follows:

4. (Amended) A structure according to claim 1 which comprises a plurality of ion channels or transporters which are predominantly preselected ion channels or transporters of interest.

5. (Amended) A structure according to claim 1 which comprises genetically engineered cells which have been engineered to predominantly express an ion channel or transporter.

6. (Amended) A structure according to claim 1 which comprises voltage gated ion channels.

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